

# PATH TO INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

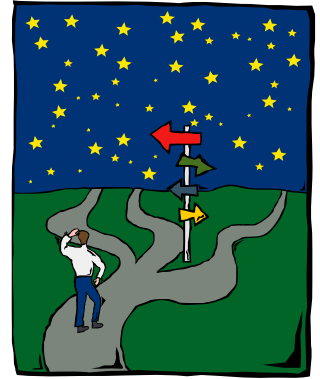
<http://www.doe.virginia.gov/VDOE/Instruction/CTE/certification/>

## What are the student eligibility requirements?

- Virginia high school junior or senior
- Will earn a standard or advanced studies diploma from a Virginia high school
- No postsecondary plans
- Do not already have an industry certification or state license

## What are the program goals for students?

- Earn a standard or advanced studies high school diploma
- Complete the technical training needed to prepare for a certification or state license in a field that matches the student's career goals
- Earn an industry certification or state license



## What are the program benefits for students?

- A verifiable, marketable skill
- Greater earning potential
- Advancement opportunities
- Increased self-confidence and self-worth
- Tuition up to the in-state tuition rate, textbook costs, applicable fees, and certification exam fees paid, pending available funds

## How are student eligibility and interests determined?

- Counselor and student discuss eligibility
- Student completes career assessment(s)
- Counselor helps student interpret results and select appropriate certification

## What is the process for being accepted into the program?

- Select certification or licensure path based on interests, aptitudes, and abilities
- Sign a Path to Industry Certification compact
- Complete any required community college orientation course or sessions
- For credit-bearing courses, earn minimum score on community college placement tests
- For noncredit-bearing courses, maintain a minimum C average in high school English and mathematics, as well as science if required for chosen certification
- Complete community college application, domicile eligibility, and registration forms

## What is the role of the community college?

- Determine certifications or licensures offered and courses required (<http://www.vccs.edu/workforce/institutes/P2IC.htm#grids>)
- Determine student's domicile eligibility (<http://www.schev.edu/Students/VAdomicileguidelines.asp>)
- Assist with community college placements tests, application, and registration and provide community college orientation
- Provide technical training that will prepare students for the certification exam
- Subject to the availability of funds, arrange for payment of tuition up to the in-state tuition rate, applicable fees, textbook costs, and certification exam fees
- Assist student in scheduling the certification exam

